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NEVVES  
FROM THE  
TOWER, FRANCE  
and PURGATORY.

First,  
CONCERNING THE IMPRISONMENT  
of Sir Edward Dering, with the cause of the same.  
Then the time prefixed when the Bishops doe  
come to their Answer, with the  
manner of their Arraignment.

With the Vote also of the House of Commons  
given against bishop Wren, and how they have  
already committed to the House  
of Peeres.

Likewise in a relation how the pope hath sent over  
a pardon for Canterburies Absolution, with the  
manner of his Holinesses message. 

As also how Plots with the Diabolicall Fiends are  
resolved to keep Holiday.

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Virtue is the more subject to censure then  
 vice, and the purest Diademe more apt to  
 take dirt, then a common stone: Yea,  
 Wildome and Learning is of more propensity to be  
 taxed then Ignorance; Yet notwithstanding I in-  
 geniously confesse with grave *Cato*, *Nemo sine cri-*  
*mine vivit*, No man can live without a fault. Thus  
 it happed with sir *Edward Dering*, he that was once  
 the glory of the people, the Fame of the House, the  
 credit of his Country, the object of each eye, but  
 concerning some speeches of his which was prin-  
 red onely by his owne consent, and without the As-  
 sent of the whole House, he gave great offence  
 to them, and being found culpable therein, was  
 immediately sent to the Tower.

The Parliament have forthwith ordered, that the  
 accused Bishops should come to their answers next  
 Tuesday, to answer those most bold Articles and  
 Objections, whereof they are highly straigned  
 and impeached. The House of Commons have al-  
 ready voted Bishop *Wren* de w're, and gave their  
 censure to him, and have now committed him to  
 the House of of Peers for their concurrence with  
 them.

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The Epidemicall expectation of the infernall  
Crow for their blessed Martyr Canterbury, hath  
waited a long time to see his Grace, not only dis-  
invested of the mitre, but to adorne the infernall  
Tribunall with his Archiepiscopall presence.  
And the Frenchmen, to whose papistick Rides  
Crosses and mattes Canterbury stood infinitely  
engaged, have offered up their assiduous supplica-  
tions and quoridian prayers to all the martyrs, Apo-  
stles, Saints, and the Virgin Mary, that his Grace  
when he dyes when he dyes might be released from  
purgatory. The whole imaginary Synod immedi-  
ately to consult, and every one willingly proffering  
himself to resigne his place for him. Yes, Triple-  
headed Cerberus hath promised to prefer him to  
the chiefest and most metropolitan-like seat in all  
Pluto's Court, and Charon communicated his Coun-  
sell with the others to wait him, over the stygian  
Lake. And finally, the Tower will likewise do him  
great service on earth, for because he in his life-  
time made many Canons to defend its precipitous  
walls, therefore he shall be there Canonized. Thus  
his Canterbury circumducted with many assistance,  
and expecteth therefore to go to purgatory in as  
great pompe as ever Arch-bishop did before him.  
To see the great metropolitan of a state have his  
grave thus digged before him, yes, by the invocati-  
on of his dearest Friends, is no common spectacle,  
and to see the very Fiends of Hell wait upon them  
in his stately manner, is no vulgar curtesie. But I  
think purgatory will be too little to containe him,  
whose ambitious thoughts the whole Unverse, and  
specula.

perhaps Iver could have been so much less than the  
pre- and in the contempt spirit of Humility; and  
I suppose, when he shall once there appear, he will  
superiorly exclude all the other martyrs and holy  
films, challenging the precedent priority, and so-  
verainly to himself. But first I will delineate the  
extraordinary description of every thing that interceded  
for his preferment thither: many Frenchmen ha-  
ving a long time subjected themselves to pathetical  
pulsion for their grand *meccas*, and English popes  
imprisonment, diligently laboured with unwearied  
diligence to obtain first pardon from the Pope for  
Canterbury, and being clearly absolved he should  
be canonized for a blessed martyr; and they did  
likewise supplicate for his good releasement out  
of Purgatory. This pardon was forthwith granted  
for his Vicegerent, and Secretary, and a successive  
Embassage was then immediately transported from  
France to the Tower in London, where Canterbury  
with his confederates are most prelatically loca-  
gep. And withall Besides this obtained pardon for  
his absolution, they were suddenly resolved to hatch  
some private and obscure stratagem to release and  
convey him from thence to France with great ex-  
pedition, which news being announced to his  
Grace; he could no less then in a delightful, pres-  
byterial smile laugh, or rather triumph at the au-  
dience of so happy tydings. But not to bury all their  
affectionate courtesies in the oblivious sepulcher  
of ingratitude he most respectfully thanked and  
gratified their so loving & courteous an Embassage  
promi-

promising, that to the uttermost of his power, hee  
would repeat his assiduous *Aperueris* and *Salve*  
*regina's* to the remuneration and retribution of  
their zealous resolutions. Then they forthwith i-  
terated in a digested repetition their mature in-  
tents concerning the procurement of his his release  
that they had nursed and fomented a suspenceous  
plot for the same purpose, and how they were re-  
solved shortly to deliver the same, as I wishall they  
humbly desired and implored his Grace to con-  
duct Wren along with him, to be his concomitant  
and at their arrivall at *France* the one should bee  
nointed, and the other made Cardinal, but that lit-  
tle Bird is in the Cage already. Then his Grace  
seriously condescended thereunto, and remembring  
his humble and submissive obediance to his Holi-  
nesse, they departed with great alacrity, promising  
to recommend his service to the Pope: Then *Can-*  
*terbury* being alone, began to revolve againe, and a-  
gaine that happy Newes from France, and repea-  
ting many private Soliloquies to himselfe, hee be-  
gan to say with the ancient Philosopher,

*Nonquam minus solus, quam cum solus.*

✓ Yet I must not deviate too far from Charon and  
Cerberus in a digressing abhorration: Charon, I  
say, hath made ready his Ferry, and waites in ex-  
pectation of this Arch Prelate: Cerberus hee will  
reject the old Fabulous and Poeticall Emendations  
Of, and nothing shall (he is resolved fully) excuse  
him but his own person. *Tantalus* leaves off his  
frustrating appetite, and thirsts more to see *Canter-*  
*bury* there, then all his Golden Apples. *Titus*  
will



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will not regard his Liver consuming Vulture;  
which daily inueterates him, but will with solidity  
triumph to see his Grace there. The *Danaides* will  
retract themselves from their endlesse labours and  
their *siue running delium*, and would rejoyce to ex-  
pleat it with his briuith reares, but thus I feare hee  
is too adamantine. *Sisyphus* would stay his Hill-  
rowling stone, and in an honest laughter howle at  
his Grace: Yea I doe proynostiente so much, that  
at his execution day, and pilgrimage to Hell, all  
thee Fienus would then keepe Holiday: but I supe-  
pose hee will communicate so much Grace unto  
that infernall Crew, that he will leave himselfe no  
Grace at all; yet give me le.ve to prescribe this  
Elegy before his departure in conformance the for-  
mer Canto:

*Memento mori,  
Remember Purgatory,  
While Frenchmen Cauenine your story,  
Farewell poore Canterbury,  
Alas poore Canterbury.*

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